MINUTES

Workforce Connection

Of Central New Mexico

Youth Council

Thursday, April 13, 2006 4:00 pm Mid-Region Council of Governments

Call to Order - 4:04 pm - by Mary Lee Martin

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum - Patrick Newman

Present

Rose Auletta
Bob Davey-came in during tab 1
Mary Lee Martin
Marty Mondragon
Maria Rinaldi
Dr. Emily Salazar

Excused

Susan Brower John Dantis Helen Lopez Gwen Manfre John Sapien Tom Savage

(No quorum established)

Approval of Thursday, April 13, 2006 Agenda

Motion: Marty Mondragon Second: Maria Rinaldi

No Discussion

Action: Passed by voice vote

Tab 1. Approval of Minutes, Youth Council: January 12, 2006

 Dr. Emily Salazar was present for the January 12, 2006 meeting, minutes should be changed to reflect this.

Motion with changes: Maria Rinaldi

Second: Bob Davey

No Discussion

Action: Passed by voice vote

Tab 2. Monthly Expenditure Report - by Patrick Newman

- Mr. Newman explained the WCCNM monthly expenditure report for the month ending March 31, 2006.
- Mr. Newman requested that tab 3 be pulled from the agenda.

Discussion and Questions Followed

FINAL ACTION ITEMS

Tab 3. Approval of WCCNM Youth Development Inc. Contract Extension - no action was taken as this item was removed from the agenda.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Tab 4. YDI Funding Request Status Update - By Patrick Newman

- Patrick Newman reported that Youth Program expenditures are right on target. YDI has done a good job spending the youth funds.
- The only area of concern is the youth supportive services category, fifteen thousand (\$15,000) will be moved into this line item from participant services to cover the projected shortfall and carry supportive services through June 30, 2006.
- Performance reports generated by VOSS are still unreliable at this time; Lawrence Rael will meet with Reese Fullerton of OWTD and continue to pressure OWTD for technical assistance with this matter.
- Mary Lee Martin suggested that she attend the Performance and Monitoring Committee meetings to report any youth items that pertain to the Youth Council.
- The About Face! pilot program has been sent to OWTD with a request by Lawrence Rael to approve state funding for the program in its entirety. The About Face! program allocations are still unknown at this time.
- If the request does not get approved by OWTD, MRCOG is asking that the one-hundred forty-six thousand dollars (\$146,000) be transferred to the WCCNM youth program budget.
- More information will be provided regarding this issue before the next Full Board meeting.

Questions and Comments Followed

REPORTS

Administrative Reports

- Patrick Newman introduced new WIA staff Manuel Casias, WIA Business Liaison, and Marla Segura, Secretary, and thanked all WIA staff for their efforts.
- Manuel Casias, WIA Business Liaison, will be working diligently with service providers
 and the business community in the Central area. He will have a WIA booth at the New
 Mexico Life Transition Summit for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Youth in Santa Fe on April
 21-22.
- Mr. Casias will distribute pins, coffee mugs, key chains and posters in promoting WIA services
- Mary Lee Martin participated in reviewing the YDI contract Scope of Work and complemented the WIA and YDI staff for their work.
- Mr. Newman reported that the signage in the Rio Rancho One-Stop went up yesterday.
- Mr. Newman stated that WIA is working with YDI to expand services to older youth.
 MRCOG has requested a waiver through OWTD to USDOL that would allow Adult funds to be expended on youth (18-21) without the need for co-enrollment.

- The state is preparing a listing of all approved waivers that will be distributed to all areas of New Mexico.
- Emily Salazar reported that Job Corps students will be co-enrolling with TVI, concentrating in the central area to implement accelerated math and science programs.
- Emily Salazar congratulated Mary Lee Martin on her Women in the Community award that she received for her community involvement.
- Mr. Newman suggested that all members keep the last week/weekend of June 2006 open in their calendars for the grand opening of the Belen One-Stop Center.

Questions and Comments Followed

PUBLIC COMMENT/ADJOURNMENT

Public Comment - None

Adjournment - 4:41 pm

NOTES

Next Meeting:

Date: Thursday, May 11, 2006

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Mid-Region Council of Governments